



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
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FOR: Methods of Sterilizing with  
Dipercarboxylic Acids

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 24, 2002**

Applicant files this response to the Final Office Action dated December 24, 2002, having a three month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on March 31, 2002. Please consider the following remarks and amendments.